

Title (en)

Using first and second resistive sensor bias levels to detect head-to-disk contact and/or clearance

Title (de)

Verwendung von Vorspannungsniveaus eines ersten und zweiten Widerstandssensors zum Nachweis von Kopf-Scheiben-Kontakten und/oder Beabstandung

Title (fr)

Utilisation d'un premier et d'un second niveau de polarisation de capteur résistif pour détecter le contact et/ou l'espacement de tête à disque

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Abstract (en)

A bias signal is applied to a resistive thermal sensor located proximate a magnetic media reading surface of a magnetic sensor. The bias signal is modulated between first and second bias levels. First and second resistances of the resistive thermal sensor corresponding to the first and second bias levels are measured. Based a difference between the first and second resistances caused by in increase in thermal conductivity between the magnetic sensor and a medium as the magnetic head gets closer to the medium, at least one of a spacing and a contact between the magnetic sensor and the medium are determined.

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